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1. Since March 1951, approximately 1,000 trudovaks have been constructing military buildings at Provadiya.
 - a. The buildings, located north of Provadiya in the vicinity of the Provadiya railroad station, consist of approximately 30-40 stone barracks of various sizes.
 - b. Until 26 September 1951, 15 of these barracks had been completed and completely furnished.
 - c. The unit of buildings also includes a completed 2-story headquarters building approximately 15 meters long and 10 meters wide.
 - d. Garages and sheds for motor vehicles are still in the process of construction near the barracks.
 - e. The unit is connected with the Provadiya railroad station by a narrow gauge railway which has already been completed.
 - f. this unit is being constructed for Soviet ground forces who will allegedly occupy the barracks in the early fall of 1951.
2. There are several buildings in the process of construction both under and above ground along the Provadiya - Kaspichan rail artery and at the villages of Venchan (XJ-6906), Ravna (XJ-6504) and Cherkovna (XJ-6402). Upon completion, these buildings will reportedly be used as ammunition depots.

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3. A large natural-surfaced airfield, approximately three kilometers long and two kilometers wide, begun during early August 1951, is being constructed approximately 20 kilometers south of Provadiya in the vicinity of Dulgopol. The southern boundary of the field, located in a large meadow, is formed by the Kamchiya River.

4. [] two other airfields are being constructed in the Provadiya area: one field is located in the vicinity of the Provadiya Railroad station, and the other is located approximately four kilometers west of Provadiya at Novo Selo village. Both fields will allegedly be used as airbases for Soviet Air Force units and personnel in the immediate future.

5. During late August 1951, an unidentified infantry battalion, complement of 8 Infantry Regiment, was transferred from Provadiya to the Bulgarian-Yugoslav border.

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